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a pump comprising a variable frequency drive, the pump generating a water flow through the generator, the water flow being characterized by a water flow rate;

a pH sensor to ascertain the pH of the treated water; and

a control system connected to the pH sensor to receive a signal representative of the pH, compare the signal to a set point for a desired water pH, and provide an output control signal to the variable frequency drive to vary the water flow rate and thereby control the concentration of sulfurous acid in the treated water.

Claims 2-4 (Cancelled).

Claims 5-11 (Withdrawn).

_____ ~~The apparatus according to~~ of claim 1, wherein said the primary _____

13. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to of claim 1, further including comprising a ~~secondary~~ water treatment station ~~downstream from said~~ to receive and process the treated water from the primary water treatment station.

14. (Currently amended) The apparatus according to of claim 13, wherein said the secondary water treatment station includes comprises aeration tanks and clarifiers.

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